



**DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY**  
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May 24, 2019

Remington Nevin  
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Dear Remington Nevin:

Thank you for your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of March 25, 2019, received by the Defense Health Agency (DHA) on March 25, 2019. Your request has been assigned Case Number 19-00168. Please provide this number in any future correspondence on this matter.

A review of your request shows that you are seeking:

*[This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I hereby request the following records:*

*Copies of all purchase orders, contracts, records, and related correspondence between Defense Health Agency (DHA) or other subordinate activity of DHA, and 60 Degrees Pharmaceuticals or any intermediate wholesaler, logistician, or distributor, for supplies of tafenoquine (Arakoda) intended for U.S. military use, from 2013 to the date of processing of this request.*

*The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purpose.]*

Under the FOIA, requesters are required to describe the records sought with specificity and sufficient detail to allow an agency employee, familiar with the subject area of the request, to locate those records with a reasonable amount of effort, (*Ferri v. DOJ*). Your request, as written, does not reasonably describe the records sought with specificity (Contract/Solicitation Numbers) and is considered an improper request. As such, effective May 24, 2019, this request has been closed. However, please feel free to revise your scope and submit a new request via email to [DHA.FOIA@mail.mil](mailto:DHA.FOIA@mail.mil).

If you are not satisfied with this action, you may appeal to the DHA appellate authority. Your appeal must be written and postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this letter, should cite the above referenced control number, and should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." To submit electronically, email [DHA.FOIAappeals@mail.mil](mailto:DHA.FOIAappeals@mail.mil). To submit via postal delivery, send your written appeal to:

Defense Health Agency  
FOIA Requester Service Center  
Attention: FOIA Appellate Authority  
7700 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101  
Falls Church, VA 22042-5101

In addition, please note you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from the DHA FOIA Public Liaison via the following contact information:


Defense Health Agency  
FOIA Requester Service Center  
Attention: FOIA Public Liaison  
7700 Arlington Boulevard, Suite 5101  
Falls Church, VA 22042-5101  
Phone: 1+ (703) 275-6363

If you are unable to resolve your FOIA dispute through our FOIA Public Liaison, the Federal FOIA Ombudsman's office offers mediation services through the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. You may contact OGIS via the following:

National Archives and Records Administration  
Office of Government Information Services  
8601 Adelphi Road - OGIS  
College Park, MD 20740-6001  
Email: [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov)  
Phone: 1+ (202) 741-5770 or Toll Free: 1-877-684-6448

If you have any questions about processing your request under the FOIA, please contact the FOIA Requester Service Center at (703) 275-6363.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nadine Brown".

Nadine Brown  
FOIA Compliance Manager  
DHA Privacy and Civil Liberties Office